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BOBCAT FIRE UPDATE

Salmon, Idaho: Currently the Bobcat Fire remains at 80% contained. The perimeter of the fire is secure and the remaining containment percentage is within the fire perimeter where the terrain is very steep and hazardous for firefighters to enter safely. This makes fire suppression slow and difficult within these areas. There was smoke in the Salmon area yesterday evening but this was a result of other larger fires west of the area.

The successes of the Bobcat Fire suppression effort are due to overwhelming community support, hard work from fire personnel, and above all, close attention to safety.

A cold front forecasted for Saturday has firefighters focusing on finding hot spots near the fire lines and reinforcing critical areas. There are five engine crews on the fire performing mop up operations, expanding the fire line, and rehabilitating areas that were opened in order to gain safe access to the fire.

There is a fire weather watch for Saturday afternoon through evening for gusty winds and low humidity. Today expect warmer temperatures and lower humidity with a chance of isolated thunderstorms.

The closures in the area west of the fire to the Moose Creek, and Diamond Creek Roads, Sims Mine, and Napoleon Hill have been lifted. However, the public is urged to be cautious and drive slower when in these areas due to narrow roads and firefighter traffic.

For more information please refer to the following links;

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